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FOR YOUR INFORMATION, FOLLOWING JOINT DRAFT TEXT REFLECTS
STATUS OF WORKING GROUP AGREEMENT TO DATE ON PROTOCOL FOR
STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS. BRACKETS INDICATE CURRENTLY
KNOWN MAJOR SUBSTANTIVE DIFFERENCES. REMAINDER OF TEXT
APPEARS TO BE IN GENERAL AGREEMENT; HOWEVER, THERE MAY BE
ADDITIONAL MINOR WORDING CHANGES MADE BEFORE WORKING GROUP
SUBMITS TEXT AD REFERENDUM TO SCC COMMISSIONERS.

JOINT DRAFT TEXT

AD REFERENDUM TO SCC COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 29, 1973

STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION

PROTOCOL

PROCEDURES GOVERNING REPLACEMENT, DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION,
AND NOTIFICATION THEREOF, FOR STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS

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PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE INTERIM AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS ON CERTAIN MEASURES WITH RESPECT TO THE LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS, OF MAY 26, 1972, THE PROTOCOL THERETO, AND THE AGREED STATEMENTS REGARDING THAT AGREEMENT, THE PARTIES THERETO HAVE, WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION, AGREED UPON, IN THE FORM ATTACHED, PROCEDURES GOVERNING REPLACEMENT, DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION, AND NOTIFICATION THEREOF, FOR STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS LIMITED BY THAT INTERIM AGREEMENT.

THE PARTIES HAVE ALSO AGREED TO BE GUIDED BY THE FOLLOWING GENERAL GUIDELINES:

1. THE ATTACHED PROCEDURES APPLY ONLY TO SYSTEMS TO BE REPLACED AND DISMANTLED OR DESTROYED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE AFOREMENTIONED INTERIM AGREEMENT;
 2. ANY REPLACEMENT OF ICBM LAUNCHERS OR SLBM LAUNCHERS SHALL BE ON THE BASIS OF ARTICLES III AND IV OF THE INTERIM AGREEMENT, THE PROTOCOL THERETO, AND APPLICABLE AGREED STATEMENTS;
 3. DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION OF ICBM LAUNCHERS AND SUBMARINE-LAUNCHED BALLISTIC MISSILE LAUNCHERS SHALL ENSURE THAT THE LAUNCHERS AND ASSOCIATED FACILITIES WOULD BE PUT IN A CONDITION THAT PRECLUDES THE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR USE FOR LAUNCHING ICBMS OR SUBMARINE LAUNCHED BALLISTIC MISSILES, RESPECTIVELY; (DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION PROCEDURES SHALL ENSURE THAT REACTIVATION OF UNITS DISMANTLED OR DESTROYED WOULD BE DETECTABLE BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS, SHALL BE SUCH THAT REACTIVATION TIME OF SUCH UNITS WOULD NOT BE SUBSTANTIALLY LESS THAN THE TIME REQUIRED FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION, AND SHALL PRECLUDE UNREASONABLE DELAYS IN DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION;) 1
 4. DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION PROCEDURES SHALL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY FOR EACH SYSTEM AND TYPE OF LAUNCHER COVERED BY THE INTERIM AGREEMENT;
 5. REPLACEMENT AND DISMANTLING OR DESTRUCTION PROCEDURES SHALL ENSURE THAT VERIFICATION CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED (WITH HIGH SECRET
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- CONFIDENCE)1 BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE V OF THE INTERIM AGREEMENT;
- (6. FACILITIES AT LAND- BASED ICBM LAUNCH SITES, AFTER DISMANTLING OF THE EQUIPMENT, AND SUBMARINES, AFTER DISMANTLING OF THE LAUNCHERS, MAY, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SIDES, BE USED FOR OTHER PURPOSES NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE

INTERIM AGREEMENT AND THE PROTOCOL THERETO;) 2

(7. REPLACEMENT UNITS AND THOSE TO BE REPLACED SHALL BE IDENTIFIED AND ACCOUNTED FOR THROUGH APPROPRIATE AND TIMELY NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES; AND) 1

(7. USING APPROPRIATE PROCEDURES THE PARTIES SHALL NOTIFY EACH OTHER OF THE NUMBER OF DISMANTLED LAUNCHERS AS WELL AS THE NUMBER OF SUCH LAUNCHERS USED FOR REPLACEMENT; AND) 2

8. THE NUMBER OF REPLACEMENT BALLISTIC MISSILE SUBMARINES WHICH ARE UNDER CONSTRUCTION SIMULTANEOUSLY SHALL NOT EXCEED A NUMBER CONSISTENT WITH A (REASONABLE AND)1 NORMAL CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE.

THIS PROTOCOL AND THE ATTACHED PROCEDURES SHALL REMAIN IN FORCE FOR THE DURATION OF THE INTERIM AGREEMENT, AND MAY BE AMENDED BY THE STANDING CONSULTATIVE COMMISSION AS IT DEEMS APPROPRIATE.

DONE IN GENEVA ON ----, IN TWO COPIES, EACH IN THE ENGLISH AND RUSSIAN LANGUAGES, BOTH TEXTS BEING EQUALLY AUTHENTIC. COMMISSIONER, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

COMMISSIONER, UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

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